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FOR: METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR GENERATING SH3 DOMAINS
WITH TAILORED BINDING PROPERTIES

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

February 19, 2002
(Tuesday after Fed. Holiday)

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement of December 18, 2001, the due date having been extended for one (1) month to February 18, 2002, the following remarks are respectfully submitted.

REMARKS

The Examiner requires an election of species of a single peptide of claims 17-19. Applicants traverse this rejection and withdrawal thereof is respectfully requested. The present invention is not drawn to a product, but to a method of generating artificial SH3 domains. As such, Applicants believe that the Examiner's characterization of the invention is inaccurate. The Examiner asserts that restriction is merited because the peptide compound species "are capable of separate

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